

What is claimed is:

1 1. A phonetic transliteration card display to enable a person who speaks a first
2 language to communicate with a person who speaks a second language, comprising:
3 a display board that can be seen by both persons; and
4 a display card secured detachably to the display board, the display card displaying:
5 a source phrase in the first language;
6 a target phrase in the second language, the target phrase
7 constituting a translation of the source phrase in the second
8 language; and
9 a phonetic transliteration of the target phrase in the first language.

1 2. The card display of claim 1, wherein the display board includes top and
2 bottom walls, and further comprising:
3 a first connector included as part of the top wall and a second connector included
4 as part of the bottom wall, the first connector being configured to engage with a mating
5 second connector included as part of the bottom wall of another display board, and the
6 second connector being configured to engage with a mating first connector included as
7 part of the top wall of another display board.

1 3. The card display of claim 2, further comprising;
2 a second display board substantially identical to the first display board, the first and
3 second display boards being joined by their respective second and first connectors; and



4 a second display card that displays different source, target, and transliterated
5 phrases than the first display card, the second display card being secured detachably to
6 the second display board.

1 4. The card display of claim 2, wherein the first connector comprises a slot that
2 extends along the top wall of the display board, the slot having a generally mushroom-
3 shaped cross-section.

1 5. The card display of claim 2, wherein the second connector comprises a
2 protrusion that extends along the bottom wall of the display board, the protrusion having
3 a generally mushroom-shaped cross-section.

1 6. The card display of claim 1, wherein the display board is substantially C-
2 shaped so as to define a chamber within which a plurality of display cards can be stored.

1 7. The card display of claim 1, wherein the display board has a first fastener
2 and each display card has a mating second fastener to secure the display card to the
3 display board.

1 8. The card display of claim 7, wherein the first and second fasteners comprise
2 magnets.

1 9. The card display of claim 1, wherein a plurality of display cards are provided,
2 each display card having a background color that corresponds to a particular subject or
3 category associated with the source phrase on the display card.

1 10. A display board for use as part of a phonetic transliteration card display in
2 which display cards can be observed by users, the display board comprising:

3 an elongate front wall having a portion to which a display card can be secured
4 removably;

5 elongate top and bottom walls connected to and extending from the front wall, the
6 top and bottom walls being generally parallel with each other;

7 elongate upper and lower rear flanges connected to and extending from the
8 respective top and bottom walls, the flanges being generally parallel with the front wall;
9 and

10 the front, top, and bottom walls and the upper and lower rear flanges defining a
11 chamber within which additional display cards can be stored.

1 11. The display board of claim 10, further comprising:

2 a first connector included as part of the top wall and a second connector included
3 as part of the bottom wall, the first connector being configured to engage with a mating
4 second connector included as part of the bottom wall of another display board, and the
5 second connector being configured to engage with a mating first connector included as
6 part of the top wall of another display board.



1 12. The display board of claim 11, further comprising;
2 a second display board substantially identical to the first display board, the first and
3 second display boards being joined by their respective second and first connectors.

1 13. The display board of claim 12, wherein the first connector comprises a slot
2 that extends along the top wall of the display board, the slot having a generally mushroom-
3 shaped cross-section, and the second connector comprises a protrusion that extends
4 along the bottom wall of the display board, the protrusion having a generally mushroom-
5 shaped cross-section.

1 14. The display board of claim 10, further comprising a fastener by which a
2 display card can be connected to the display board.

1 15. The display board of claim 14, wherein the fastener comprises a magnet.

1 16. The display board of claim 10, further comprising end caps that can be
2 inserted into each end of the display board.

1 17. The display board of claim 10, further comprising:
2 upper and lower ribs projecting from the front wall, the upper rib being disposed at
3 the intersection of the front wall and the top wall, and the lower rib being disposed at the
4 intersection of the front wall and the bottom wall;

upper and lower notches, the upper notch being disposed at the intersection of the top wall and the upper rear flange, and the lower notch being disposed at the intersection of the bottom wall and the lower rear flange; and

the ribs and notches being configured such that the ribs can fit into the notches, whereby a plurality of display boards can be stacked.

18. The display board of claim 10, further comprising a bracket by which the display board can be attached to a wall, the bracket having an elongate flange over which the upper rear flange can be placed.

19. A phonetic transliteration card display to enable a person who speaks a first language to communicate with a person who speaks a second language, comprising:

a first display board that can be seen by both persons, the first display board including:

a front wall that has a magnet,
top and bottom walls connected to and extending from the front wall,
upper and lower rear flanges connected to and extending from
the respective top and bottom walls,
the front, top and bottom walls and the rear flanges being
generally C-shaped and defining a chamber,
a first connector included as part of the top wall, the first
connector being in the form of a slot that extends along the top

13 wall of the display board, the slot having a generally
14 mushroom-shaped cross-section, and
15 a second connector included as part of the bottom wall, the
16 second connector being in the form of a protrusion that
17 extends along the bottom wall of the display board, the
18 protrusion having a generally mushroom-shaped cross-
19 section;
20 a plurality of display cards each having a magnet that can be secured detachably
21 to the magnet included as part of the front wall, the display cards each displaying:
22 a source phrase in the first language,
23 a target phrase in the second language, the target phrase
24 constituting a translation of the source phrase in the second
25 language,
26 a phonetic transliteration of the target phrase in the first language, and
27 each display card having a background color that corresponds
28 to a particular subject or category associated with the source
29 phrase on the display card;
30 a second display board substantially identical to the first display board, the first and
31 second display boards being joined by their respective second and first connectors; and
32 a bracket by which the display boards can be attached to a wall, the bracket having
33 an elongate flange over which the upper rear flange of a selected display board can be
34 placed.